

Reef Ranger Registration Packet June 22 – 26 or June 29 – July 3, 2015







War in the Pacific

National Historical Park



Hafa Adai!

As Superintendent of War in the Pacific National Historical Park, I'm pleased to welcome you to this very special place. At seven sites on land and underwater, this park commemorates the people of World War II and protects and interprets amazing natural and historic resources. We are pleased to once again offer our Reef Ranger Summer Camp to connect youths to some of these sites, right alongside high school mentors, scientists, and other park experts. For 5th and 6th graders, this is an exciting opportunity to visit War in the Pacific National Historical Park!

Yet this is also an exciting time for other national parks across the country. On August 25, 2016, the National Park Service will celebrate its 100th birthday. As we approach the Centennial with renewed energy, our focus will be to "connect with and create the next generation of park visitors, supporters, and advocates." Over the next several months, we will engage youths in a variety of programs and outdoor activities. This Reef Ranger Summer Camp is just one opportunity!

Throughout the day, Reef Rangers will discover up-close the amazing marine environments within the park, as well as the fascinating creatures that call them home. Moreover, they'll learn aspects of personal safety while snorkeling and hiking, as well as a deeper sense of responsibility to care for the island's fragile ecosystems. Spending time in the great outdoors of a national park is often a transformative time, for both the young and old. There's no better place to find out that learning about science can be a blast! We hope this engaging experience will inspire the Reef Rangers for a lifetime and that their new understandings of coral reefs may lead to future careers in biology, botany, natural resource management, interpretation, education, or in federal service caring for our public lands.

Working together with our non-profit partner, Pacific Historic Parks, we look forward to this upcoming Reef Ranger Summer Camp. Join with us as we engage 5th and 6th graders on Guam to become the valuable caretakers of our invaluable resources!



Sincerely,

Jim Richardson Superintendent War in the Pacific National Historical Park

April 2015

Hafa Adai!

Are your children looking for something fun to do outdoors this summer? Are they curious to learn about our valuable marine resources? Then enroll them in War in the Pacific National Historical Park's Reef Ranger Summer Camp!

The park will host the annual Reef Ranger Summer Camp at Asan Beach Park in the month of June. This dynamic program introduces a fun, safe, and exciting way to explore the island's coasts and learn about marine science. Best of all, kids will gain the knowledge to become stewards of our island's park and our environment!

Reef Rangers will engage in an exciting array of hands-on activities geared towards understanding the benefits of our coral reefs. They will learn about the different threats to the health of reefs and solutions to those issues. Daily fun-filled experiences like puzzles, games, snorkeling, experiments, discussions, and fieldtrips will encourage campers to make connections between their everyday actions and their impact on the environment.

Each session is one-week in length from Monday through Friday 9:30 am – 2:30 pm. Reef Ranger Campers may register for either June 22 - 26 (Week 1) or June 29 – July 3 (Week 2).

Registration packets should be picked up and submitted at the T. Stell Newman Visitor Center in Sumay. Registration packets can also be downloaded from www.nps.gov/wapa.

Seats are limited and reservation of slots are on a first come, first serve basis. The last day to submit completed registration packets and a \$20 refundable deposit is Sunday, May 24, 2015.

Be a part of this exciting educational program that encourages youth to tune their senses to the awesome underwater world and explore nature at their National Park. We hope to see your child this summer!

If you have any questions or concerns, please email reefrangers@pacifichistoricparks.org or call the Education Assistant Tanya Taitano Sortor at 671-482-1234 or 671-477-7279, Ext 1015.



Sincerely,

Jaclyn Balajadia Pacific Historic Parks Education Specialist



Reef Ranger Summer Camp Registration Form Part I

Child's Name (Last, First):			
Grade child will be in Sept 2015	: 5 th O	6 th Other:	
School child will attend in Sept 2	2015:		
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How many times has your child hiked in the past year?	O _{0 (Never)}	O _{2-5 times}	O 6 or more times
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• •	For your safety, this	•	c.) you believe the camp staff should ly be released to emergency personnel cy.

The National Park Service and Pacific Historic Parks will conduct two week-long sessions for the Reef Ranger Summer Camp.

Spots are reserved on a first come, first serve basis. Please checkmark which session your child will attend. In the event that there is not enough space available in your preferred session, Reef Ranger Camp personnel will contact you about placing your child in the other session.

Week 1: Reef Ranger Camp

June 22 - 26, 2015 09:30 am - 2:30 pm(*drop off no earlier than 9:15 am) Week 2: Reef Ranger Camp

June 29 – July 3, 2014 9:30 am – 2:30 pm (*drop off no earlier than 9:15 am)

Optional: Please write down any pertinent information you would like the Reef Ranger Camp personnel to know concerning the week you prefer your child to attend:



Reef Ranger Summer Camp Registration Form Part II

Child's Name (Last, First): _		
Home Address (Street, Numb	per, & Village):	
Contact Person #1:		
Cell Phone:		
Work Phone:		
Contact Person #2:		
Cell Phone:		
Work Phone:	Email address:	
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last day to pick up the refund is allow my child to participate in	my \$20 registration deposit if my child completes is July 12, 2015 at the T. Stell Newman Visitor Central the Reef Ranger Summer Camp. I certify that the gistration Packet is correct to the best of my know	er. I hereby give permission to einformation filled out on the
Parent/Guardian Sign	 ature	Date



Reef Ranger Summer Camp Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

How are Reef Rangers selected?

Youth currently entering 5th & 6th grades are eligible to apply for the Reef Ranger Camp. Completed registration packets and a \$20 refundable deposit are required for reserving a spot. Spots are filled on a first come, first serve basis.

When is the deadline to turn in the Reef Ranger Registration Form Packet?

Completed registration packets should be submitted by 4:00 pm on Sunday, May 24, 2015.

Where do I turn in my completed Reef Ranger Registration Packet and \$20 deposit?

They can be turned in at the T. Stell Newman Visitor Center (located in Sumay, near the Naval Station Guam front gate across from Taco Bell) between the hours of 9:00 am - 4:30 pm Monday through Sunday. Cash and check deposits are accepted. Checks should be made out to Pacific Historic Parks.

Will there be a lifeguard?

Yes. A lifeguard or Master Diver will be on duty on the days that Reef Rangers will be snorkeling in the waters of Asan Beach.

What if my child is NOT entering 5th or 6th grades?

The curriculum is designed and tailored for this specific age group. Therefore, youth entering 5th and 6th grades will have first priority in reserving spots. Youth from other grades will be placed on the waiting list. If there is an open slot available, we will contact parents three days before the Reef Ranger Summer Camp begins.

What should Reef Rangers bring?

For safety purposes, Reef Rangers are required to dress appropriately for each outdoor event. Please have clothes for hot weather, a swimsuit, a towel, a rash guard, slippers, tennis shoes, hat, sunscreen, water, insect repellant, and sunglasses. They may also bring a camera, extra slippers, snacks, and an umbrella.

All participants will receive a free Reef Ranger backpack, hat, & water bottle, courtesy of Pacific Historic Parks and national park service.

Reef Rangers should not bring: pets, wheeled vehicles, distracting electronic game devices, musical instruments, or sports balls.

Where is check-in and pick-up?

Please refer to the Reef Ranger Summer Camp Daily Schedule for details of each particular session. The Daily Schedules can be downloaded on or after May 24, 2015 at www.nps.gov/wapa.

How do I claim my refundable registration deposit of \$20?

Participants must attend all 5 days of the Reef Ranger Summer Camp and refunds should be picked up at the T. Stell Newman Visitor Center on or after July 3, 2015 by a parent or guardian listed in the registration packet. The last day to pick up refunds is July 12, 2015. Registration deposits not collected after July 12, 2015 will be automatically donated to future educational programs.